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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of

Mitchell Anthony deLong et al.

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated April 15, 2003, for three months, from July 15, 2003 to October 15, 2003. Applicants authorize payment of the accompanying fee of \$950 from Deposit Account 16-2480. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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